**Compensation to civilians killed in cross-firing in J&K**

3018. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents where defence forces had to engage themselves to fight against terrorists and militants in Jammu and Kashmir during the last three years;

(b) the details of such incidents with number of terrorists, defence personnel and civilians killed in each encounter; and

(c) the amount of compensation paid to the innocent civilians killed in cross firing?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The Army is continously engaged in the Counter Infiltration and Counter Terrorist operations in the State of Jammu & Kashmir based on operational necessity. Details of the Army personnel, terrorists and civilians killed during the last three years and for the period January— July 2005 are as under:-

| Year | Army Personnel killed | Terrorists killed | Civilians killed |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2002 | 222 | 1522 | 1008 |
| 2003 | 228 | 1397 | 795 |
| 2004 | 167 | 885 | 707 |
| 2005 (January-July 2005) | 79 | 571 | 333 |

(c) As per the extant policy guidelines of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir, an ex-gratia relief of Rs. One lakh is paid to an innocent person killed in terrorist violence.

**Training of trainers of intermediate Jet Trainers**

3019. SHRIMATI N.P DURGA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of training given to trainers of intermediate Jet Trainers;

(b) whether it is a fact that the training is not progressing as per schedule;

(c) the details of the entire schedule of training;

(d) whether it is a fact that 350 days of flights are still required to give final operational clearance to AJTs; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (e) There is no training being imparted to trainers on the Intermediate Jet Trainers. However, the Indian Air Force (lAF) has entered into a contract with British Aerospace Systems of United Kingdom (UK), for training of 75 lAF pilots on the Hawk Advanced Jet Trainer (AJT) aircraft at the Royal Air Force (RAF) Valley, UK.

The training of lAF pilots on the Hawk AJT is progressing as per schedule. The Hawk AJT training includes 12 courses with 6 to 8 lAF trainees in each course. Each training course is of a duration of 45 weeks.

There is no final operational clearance required for the AJT as per the contract signed with M/s British Aerospace Systems.

**Decline in- incidents of Infiltration in J & K**

† 3020. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Army Chief has recently stated that there is a decline in the number of incidents of infiltration into Jammu and Kashmir from Pakistan, and Pakistani army are not aware of whatever sporadic incidents are taking place;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the year-wise details of incidents of infiltration during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) to (c) The Chief of Army Staff (COAS), in one of the media interactions has recently stated that the Indian Army are telling Pakistan Director General Military Operations (DGMO) repeatedly that infiltration is on the increase. However, Pakistan has denied involvement of their troops in abetting infiltration.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.